

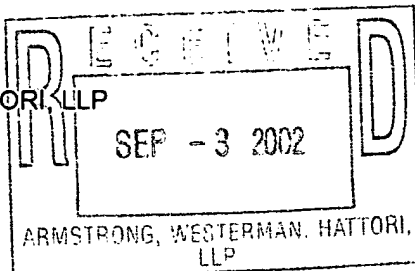


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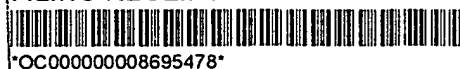
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✓ Method of analyzing intestinal flora and analytical apparatus

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TITLE OF INVENTION: <b>METHOD OF ANALYZING INTESTINAL FLORA AND ANALYTICAL APPARATUS</b>		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US: <b>Takakazu INOUE</b>		
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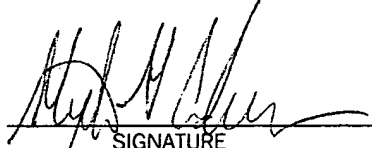
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